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Title: **A NOVEL PROCESS FOR THE PREPARATION OF FLECAINIDE, ITS PHARMACEUTICALLY ACCEPTABLE SALTS AND IMPORTANT INTERMEDIATES THEREOF**

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Group Art Unit: 1625

Due Date: August 16, 2006

**SUBMISSIONS ACCOMPANYING REQUEST FOR
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)**

August 15, 2006

The Commissioner of Patents
UNITED STATES PATENT OFFICE
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Alexandria, VA 22314
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Dear Sir:

In response to the outstanding Final Office Action dated May 16, 2006, and due for response August 16, 2006, Applicant attaches a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal with the required fee. If there is any deficiency or surplusage of the fees enclosed for the Request for Examination, please obtain any such deficiency or credit the surplusage to Deposit Account 08-3255 and advise Applicant's Agent.

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the outstanding Official Action dated May 16, 2006 and due for response August 16, 2006.

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